Enforcement of the provisions of the Factories Regulation.

66. ***Mr. M. S. Anirudhan** (*Karunagapalli, Kartikapalli and Ambalapuzha* cum *Shertala*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they are taking any steps to enforce the provisions of the Travancore Factories Regulation of 1089.

(*b*) whether any Factory Inspectors are appointed under the Factories Regulation ;

(*c*) whether children below the age of 11 are working in the factories of Alleppey and Quilon ;

(*d*) whether permission is ever sought by any factory owner in the State to work the factories on Sundays ; and

(*e*) whether permission is ever sought to engage workmen in the factories at night ?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*)Government have not appointed separate Inspectors under the Factories Regulation. The District Magistrates are Inspectors of Factories under the Regulation.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) No.

Mr. M. S. Anirudhan : May I know whether Government are receiving annual reports on the question of inspection of the factories ?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: Reports if received from the Inspectors will be noticed in the Administration Report of the State.

Fee concesions in educational institutions.

67. ***Mr. N. Abdur Rahiman Sahib** : Will the Government be pleased to state what are the modifications made in regard to fee concessions in the Education Department as a result of the recommendations of the Education Advisory Board ?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai : The member is referred to G. O. R. Dis. No. 1070 of 37/Edn., dated the 13th July 1937, published at pages 1467—1471 of Part I of the Government Gazette, dated the 20th July 1937.

Grant-in-aid library in Parur taluk.

68. ***Mr. N. V. Chacko** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there is any library in the Parur taluk receiving grant from the Government ;

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(*b*) whether any library in the Paur taluk has applied for grant during this year ; and

(*c*) if so, what action the Government have taken on the application ?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) A grant of Rs. 30 was sanctioned for 1112 to the Sri Chitra Memorial Reading Club and Library, Parur.

Construction of a road from Kumarapuram to Thammanam.

69. ***Mr. N. V. Chacko:** Will the Government be pleased to state what action they have taken on the petitions sent, praying for construction of a road from Kumarapuram to Thammanam which will connect the road from Ernakulam to Thammanam with the road from Muvattupuzha to Kumarapuram and thus enable communication by land between Muvattupuzha and Ernakulam by the shortest routes ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : A preliminary investigation of the work was made, but considering the heavy cost, it was not proceeded with.

Statement, by caste, of prisoners in the Central Prison.

70. ***Mr. Padiyara Joseph Kunju** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the prisoners in the Central Prison ?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: *Statements showing the caste-war lists of prisoners are laid on the table.

Construction of a bridge at Poovar.

71. ***Mr. K. R. Elankath :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have received representations from the public urging the necessity for the construction of a bridge at Poovar in Neyyattinkara taluk

(*b*) whether any estimate was prepared and sanctioned by the Government for the construction of the said bridge ;

(*c*) if so, when and what was the estimated cost ; and

(*d*) why the work was not carried out ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) and (*d*) These do not arise in view of the answer to (*b*) above.

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